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§ 33.6 Pears.

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§ 33.7 Package.

Package means any container of apples or pears.

§ 33.8 Less than carload lot.

Less than carload lot means a quantity of apples in packages not exceeding 20,000 pounds gross weight or 400 standard boxes or equivalent, or a quantity of pears in packages not exceeding 50,000 pounds gross weight or 1,000 standard boxes or equivalent.

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REGULATIONS

§ 33.10 Minimum requirements.

No person shall ship, or offer for shipment, and no carrier shall transport, or receive for transportation, any shipment of apples or pears to any foreign destination unless:

(a) Apples grade at least U.S. No. 1 or U.S. No. 1 Early: *Provided*, That apples for export to Pacific ports of Russia shall grade at least U.S. Utility or U.S. No. 1 Hail for hail-damaged apples, as specified in the United States Standards for Apples (§§ 51.300–51.323 of this chapter): *Provided further*, That apples for export to any foreign destination do not contain apple maggot, and do not have more than 2 percent, by count, of apples with apple maggot injury, nor more than 2 percent, by count, of apples infested with San Jose scale or scale of similar appearance;

(b) Pears grade at least U.S. No. 2 as specified in the United States Standards for Summer and Fall Pears, such as Bartlett, Hardy, and other similar varieties (Sections 51.1260–51.1280 of this chapter), or in the United States Standards for Winter Pears, such as Anjou, Bosc, Comice, and other similar varieties (Sections 51.1300–51.1323 of this chapter), do not contain apple maggot, and do not have more than 2

percent, by count, of pears with apple maggot injury, nor more than 2 percent, by count, of pears infested with San Jose scale or scale of similar appearance: *Provided*, That the minimum quality requirements for pears exported to Pacific ports of Russia are as follows:

(1) Summer and fall pears shall be of one variety which are mature, hand picked, clean, sound and free from hard-end; and free from serious damage caused by broken skin, insects, disease, hail marks, limbruks, heavy russet, or other means; and shall not be so excessively elongated or flattened as to preclude the cutting of one good half. Broken skin must not exceed 1/4 inch in diameter. The following definitions shall apply to all varieties:

Clean means reasonably free from dust, dirt, or honey dew.

Free from serious damage means defects when taken singly or collectively shall not seriously affect the edible or culinary value of the fruit.

Hand picked means that pears do not show evidence of rough handling or of having been on the ground.

Hard-end means pears which show an abnormally yellow or green color at the blossom end or an abnormally smooth rounded base with little or no depression at the calyx, or if the flesh near the calyx is abnormally dry and tough or woody. Pears affected by hard-end shall be considered defects. Rat-tail shaped pears, or second bloom pears that are tough or ridged shall be considered defects. At the time of packing, not more than 10 percent, by count, of any lot may be below the requirements of the grade, and not more than one-tenth of this amount or 1% shall be allowed for decay and/or breakdown. For a tolerance of 10 percent or more, individual packages in any lot may contain not more than one and one-half times the tolerance specified, except that when the package contains 15 specimens or less, individual packages may contain not more than double the tolerance specified. For a tolerance of less than 10 percent, individual packages in any lot may contain not more than double the tolerance specified, provided at least one specimen which does not meet the requirements shall be allowed in any one